

| Examples of Edible Forest Garden Guilds | | | | Nitrogen fixer* | | | | |
|---|--------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Guild | Canopy | Understory Fruit & Nut trees | Shrubs | Herbs/Vegetables | Groundcover | Roots | Vines | |
| Black Walnut | Black Walnut | Mulberry | Black raspberry | Chiltepinos | Fescues | Onions | Grapes | |
| | White oak | Pawpaw | Currant | Ground cherries | Bluegrass | Parsnips | | |
| | Red oak | Persimmon | Wolfberry | Wax beans | Clovers* | Sugar beets | | |
| | Sugar maple | Honey locust* | Elderberry | Goldenseal | Wild strawberries | Jerusalem artichokes | | |
| | Red maple | Black locust* | Indigo Bush* | Parsley | Violets | | | |
| | White ash | Redbud* | New Jersey Tea* | Dandelion | Wild ginger | | | |
| | | Hackberry (southwest variety) | | Wild Leeks | Ostrich ferns | | | |
| | | | | Bee Balm, Monarda | | | | |
| | | | | Ground Cherry | | | | |
| | | | | Golden Alexanders | | | | |
| Hackberry (sw variety) | | | Currants | Chiltepinos | | | | |
| | | | Wolfberry | Ground cherries | | | | |
| | | | | Perennial | Annuals/ Biennials | | | |
| Hickory | Hickory | Semi-dwarf apple | Blackberry | Rhubarb | Black-eyed peas* | Mints | Horseradish | Grapes |
| Pecan | Pecan | Semi-dwarf peach | Boysenberry | Asparagus | Green beans* | Catnip | Day lilies | Passionflower |
| | | Plum | Dewberry | Lovage | Cucumbers | Dandelion | Garlic chives | Hops |
| | | Fig | Clove currants | Dock | Hot peppers | Strawberry | Iris | Scarlet runner beans* |
| | | Persimmon | Oregon grape | Sorrel | Tomatoes | Vetch* | Garlic | |
| | | Redbud* | Indigo Bush* | Salad burnet | Leeks | Clovers* | Onions | |
| | | Mulberry | Rose of Sharon | Pokeweed | Cabbage | | Shallots | |
| | | Elderberry | Rosa rugosa | Coneflowers | Turnips | | Multiplying onions | |
| | | Chokeberry | Siberian pea shrub* | Comfrey | Dill | | | |
| | | Sand plums | | Tarragon | Parsley | | | |
| | | | | Rosemary | Carrots | | | |
| | | | | Thyme | Lettuce | | | |
| | | | | Oregano | Wild geranium | | | |
| | | | | Sage | Snapdragons | | | |
| | | | | Horehound | Poppies | | | |
| | | | | Lemon balm | Lambs quarters | | | |
| | | | | Winter savory | Amaranth | | | |
| | | | | Rue | Spinach | | | |
| | | | | Bee balm | Swiss chard | | | |
| | | | | | Chickweed | | | |
| | | | | | Henbit | | | |
| | | | | | Maximilian sunflower | | | |

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| Apple | | Semi-dwarf apple | Red currant | Daffodils | Artichoke | Plantain | Garlic | |
| | | Crabapple | Siberian pea shrub* | Lupine* | Borage | White clover* | Iris | |
| | | Dwarf mulberry | Russian olive* | Comfrey | Chives | Red clover* | Parsnips | |
| | | | Gooseberry | Dandelion | Basil | Fava beans* | Spring bulbs | |
| | | | | Chicory | Dill | Mint | | |
| | | | | Astragalus* | Fennel | Violets | | |
| | | | | Goldenrod | Nasturtiums | Forget-me-nots | | |
| | | | | Tansy | Vetch* | | | |
| Peach | | Semi-dwarf peach trees | Sand plum | Dock | Purple hulled beans | Apple mint | Garlic | |
| | | | Elderberry | Comfrey | Purple hyacinth bean | Vetch* | Multiplying onions | |
| | | | Dewberry | Purple coneflower | Strawberry | Crimson clover* | Horseradish | |
| | | | Lead plant* | | Sunflower | White clover* | | |
| | | | | | Calendula | Chocolate mint | | |
| | | | | | Nicotiana | | | |
| | | | | | Cosmos | | | |
| | | | | | Cabbage | | | |
| Plum | | Semi-dwarf plum trees | Blackberries | Comfrey | | Lemon mint | Garlic | Scarlet runner beans* |
| | | | Boysenberries | Horseradish | | Vetch* | Multiplying onions | |
| | | | Clove currants | Cabbage | | Crimson clover* | | |
| | | | Rosa rugosa | Purple hulled peas* | | White clover* | | |
| | | | | Black-eyed peas* | | | | |
| Fruit Tree | | Highbush cranberry | American hazelnut | Comfrey | Chives | Trout lily | Horseradish | |
| | | Standard or semi-dwarf: | | Asparagus | Lettuce | Strawberries | Garlic | |
| | | Apple | | Evening primrose | Mustard | Wild ginger | | |
| | | Pear | | Astragalus* | Kale | | | |
| | | Cherry | | Lemon balm | Dill | | | |
| | | Apricot | | Yarrow | Coriander | | | |
| | | Peach | | | Fennel | | | |
| | | Nectarine | | | | | | |
| White Oak/ Hazelnut | White oak | Choke Cherry | American hazelnut | Strawberry | | Mayapple | | Hog peanut* |
| | | Hawthorn | Saskatoon serviceberry | Bergamot | | Violets | | Groundnut* |
| | | | Clove currant | Sweet cicely | | Wild ginger | | |
| | | | Trailing blackberry | Licorice | | Toothwort | | |
| | | | Wild rose | Cilantro | | | | |
| | | | | Lemon balm | | | | |
| | | | Spinach | | | | | |

Sociable Shrubs (grow upright, thin canopies, thin foliage, deep roots): Chaste tree, Kousa dogwood, Pawpaw, Persimmon, Redbud, Rose of Sharon, Serviceberries

Buffer Trees: Black locust, Elderberry, Honey locust, Mulberry

Grass Barrier Bulbs: Daffodils, Egyptian onion, Garlic, Garlic chives, Ramps/Wild leek